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SUBJ: PAKISTAN'S CONSTITUTION AUTHENTICATED.

REF: ISLAMABAD 2993

1. PAKISTAN'S NEW CONSTITUTION WAS " AUTHENTICATED"
BY PRESIDENT BHUTTO AT CEREMONY IN RAWALPINDI
AFTERNOON APRIL 12. PRESIDENT'S AUTHENTICATION WAS
CULMINATION OF CEREMONY WHICH BEGAN EARLIER IN DAY
WITH MEMBERS OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SIGNING DOCUMENT
IN ISLAMABAD AND JOINING MOTORCADE TO PRESIDENCY
FOR FINAL ACT.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, 136 ASSEMBLY MEMBERS
OF TOTAL 145 SIGNED CONSTITUTION. SIGNERS INCLUDED
LEADERS OF ALL OPPOSITION PARTIES AS WELL AS RANKING
INDEPENDENT, SARDAR SHER BAX KHAN MAZARI. AMONG
THOSE SIGNING WAS JUP LEADER MAULANA NOORANI, ONLY
OPPOSITION MEMBER OF ASSEMBLY WHO WAS PRESENT BUT
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FAILED VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONSTITUTION ON APRIL 10.
THOSE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS WHO DID NOT SIGN CONSTITUTION
INCLUDED SEVERAL PPP MAVERICKS PLUS HANDFUL OF
MNA'S ABSENT FROM CITY; POSSIBLE THAT SOME OF LATTER
MAY STILL BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO SIGN.

3. WITH TWO- DAY HOLIDAY PROCLAIMED TO CELEBRATE
APPROVAL OF CONSTITUTION, GENERAL AIR OF EUPHORIA
AND FESTIVITY PREVAILS IN ISLAMABAD- RAWALPINDI AREA.
SENSE OF RELIEF OVER OPPOSITION' S DRAMATIC LAST-
MINUTE ACCEPTANCE OF CONSTITUTION IS UNIVERSAL.

4. PRESIDENT BHUTTO LEFT RAWALPINDI MORNING APRIL 13
FOR LAHORE ON FIRST LEG OF FOUR- DAY TOUR OF ALL
PROVINCIAL CAPITALS TO CELEBRATE THE OCCASION.
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